

Amendments to the CLAIMS

Claims 1-19 (Canceled)

Claim 20 (New) A conjugate comprising the compound D-Ala⁸ GLP-1(7-36) Lys³⁷ ϵ -AEEA-MPA-NH₂ covalently bonded to a blood protein.

Claim 21 (New) A conjugate as claimed in claim 20 wherein the blood protein is albumin.

Claim 22 (New) A composition comprising the conjugate of claim 20 in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 23 (New) A composition comprising the conjugate of claim 21 in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.